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REMARKS

The present response is intended to be fully responsive to all points of objection and/or rejection raised by the Examiner and is believed to place the application in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration and allowance of the application is respectfully requested.

Applicants assert that the present invention is new, non-obvious and useful. Prompt consideration and allowance of the claims is respectfully requested.

Status of Claims

Claims 106-152 were previously pending. Claims 106-152 have been rejected. New claim 153 has been added. Thus, claims 106-153 are currently pending. Applicants respectfully assert that the amendments to the claims and the new claim add no new matter.

CLAIM REJECTIONS

35 U.S.C. § 102 Rejections

In the Office Action, the Examiner rejected claims 106-152 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as being anticipated by Walker (U.S. Publication No. 2003/0221118). Applicants respectfully traverse the rejections of claims 106-152 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as being anticipated by Walker in view of the remarks that follow.

Each of Applicants' independent claims 106 and 151 includes, *inter alia*, "retrieving geographical data representative of a geographical network from a database, the data including a plurality of geographical features". It is respectfully submitted that the Walker reference fails to disclose these elements. On page 3 of the Office Action, the Examiner references paragraphs [0027] and [0045]-[0134] of Walker, in connection with this feature. In paragraph [0027], Walker discusses the need for and benefits of the disclosed monitoring system and fails to teach or suggest geographical data. In paragraph [0134], Walker teaches "geographic location information can be received to update traffic situations, also access to the yellow pages, maps and driving directions". However, Walker fails to teach or suggest "data including a plurality of geographical features".

In addition, each of Applicants' independent Claims 106 and 151 includes, *inter alia*,

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"in accordance with a selected schematic type, processing selected geographical features in accordance with a geometrical simplification algorithm and generating a graphical schematic from the processed geographical features". The Examiner references paragraph [0381] of Walker, in connection with this feature. This paragraph describes information exchange between government agencies and the public, and does not teach geometrical simplification algorithms or processing geographical features. Applicants respectfully assert that nowhere in this paragraph or elsewhere in Walker is this feature taught.

Furthermore, each of Applicants' independent Claims 106 and 151 includes, *inter alia*, "outputting [a] graphical schematic to the device". The Examiner references paragraphs [0180], [0196] and [0204] of Walker, in connection with this feature. Applicants respectfully assert that nowhere in these paragraphs or elsewhere in Walker is this feature taught.

Applicants note that Walker lacks other elements required in each of independent claims 106 and 151. For example, Walker does not teach or suggest "receiving configuration data indicative of a property of the device".

In general, Walker describes monitoring and accounting systems for a range of machines, equipment, and vehicles. Walker does not discuss the generation of graphical schematics or the geometrical simplification of geographical features. Walker thus relates to a completely different technical field than the present invention, and is not relevant to the patentability of Applicants' pending claims.

Applicants respectfully assert independent claims 106 and 151 are not anticipated or suggested by Walker and claims 106 and 151 are patentable over Walker. Each of claims 107-150 and 152 depends from one of claims 106 or 151, and is therefore likewise allowable. New Claim 153 includes similar features to claims 106 and 151 and for the aforementioned reasons is likewise allowable over Walker.

Conclusion

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, the pending claims are allowable. Their favorable reconsideration and allowance is respectfully requested.

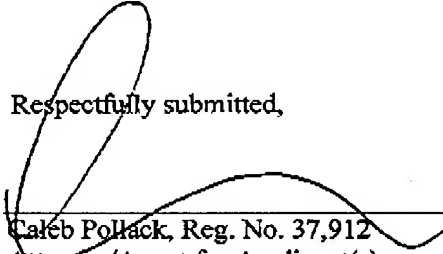
Should the Examiner have any question or comment as to the form, content or entry of this Amendment, the Examiner is requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone

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number below. Similarly, if there are any further issues yet to be resolved to advance the prosecution of this application to issue, the Examiner is requested to telephone the undersigned counsel.

Except for the fee for the Petition for a One Month Extension of Time, being paid separately, no fees are believed to be due in connection with this paper. However, if any such fee is due, please charge any fees associated with this paper to deposit account No. 50-3355.

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